

REMARKS

Claims 2-31, 33-44 and 46-47 are currently pending, with claims 1, 32, 45 and 48 having been cancelled. Claims 5, 9, 14 and 16, which originally depended from now cancelled claim 1, have been amended into independent form. Claims 35 and 43, which originally depended from now cancelled claim 32, have been amended into independent form. Claim 39, which originally depended from now cancelled claim 32, has been amended to depend from claim 35. Applicant submits that no new matter has been added by these amendments.

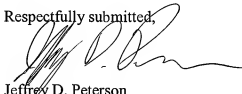
Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 2-31, 33-44 and 46-47 are allowable.

Claims 1, 32, 45 and 48 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent Publication No. 20030029299 issued to Yoshida in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,397,207 issued to Arellano et al. Applicant has now cancelled these claims, rendering the rejections moot.

With the amendments made herein, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and requests that a notice of allowance be entered for the application. Please charge any fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0842.

Should the Examiner feel that any other point requires consideration, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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